

## Message Text

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INFO AMCONSUL KARACHI IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CASC (SIMONS, LEWIS H.)  
SUBJECT: WHEREABOUTS OF WASHINGTON POST CORRESPONDENT  
LEWIS H. SIMONS

REF: STATE 162323

1. FOLLOWING TELCON WITH NEA DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DUBS AND PRIOR RECEIPT REFTEL, DCM CALLED INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL WHERE SIMONS HAD BEEN STAYING. HOTEL STAFF REPORTED SIMONS HAD CHECKED OUT AFTERNOON OF JULY 12 (LOCAL). AP CORRESPONDENT GENE KRAMER TOLD EMBOFF HE HAD SEEN SIMONS JULY 12 AFTERNOON AND SIMONS HAD NOT INDICATED HE WAS IN ANY TROUBLE. KRAMER INDICATED HE THOUGHT SIMONS HAD LEFT EN ROUTE TO BANGKOK. SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION OF DCM WITH MFA REVEALED OFFICIAL ANNOYANCE OVER SIMON'S STORY, BUT UNSOLICITED ASSERTION THAT HE WOULD NOT BE HARASSED IN ANY WAY OR PREVENTED FROM MOVING ABOUT FREELY IN PAKISTAN ON THIS OR SUBSEQUENT TRIPS.

2. CONGEN KARACHI IS ATTEMPTING TO DETERMINE IF SIMONS HAS DEPARTED FROM KARACHI FOR BANGKOK. WILL ADVISE IF FURTHER INFO ON SIMONS' WHEREABOUTS IS DEVELOPED. WOULD APPRECIATE WORD FROM THE DEPARTMENT  
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IF SIMONS CONTACTS WASHINGTON POST, SO WE CAN DISCONTINUE OUR EFFORTS IF THEY PROVE UNNECESSARY.  
HUMMEL

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